



L'AMOR BOIG (*Mad Love*), Pere Rovira

Does mad love exist? Is it possible to survive a love as intense as that inflicted upon the characters in Pere Rovira's novel? The limitless passion between Clara and Esteve causes them, while they are still teenagers, to abandon their homes in their small town to try and find a place within the 1960s Barcelona.

A few years later, each one of the protagonists relives in their own ways the memory of that passionate love story. But their recollections differ, because memory is unfaithful. As in the best works of authors like Lawrence Durrell and Sándor Márai, the story changes depending on who is describing it.

Vital and tragic, written with an implacable clarity, *L'amor boig* is a splendid novel about first and last love and about the obsessions that sometimes bring them dizzyingly together.

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Pere Rovira (Vilaseca de Solcina, 1947) is one of the key figures of Catalan lyricism. An artist as austere as he is demanding, he has published four outstanding collections of poetry, which he recently joined together in one volume: *Poesia 1979-2004*. He has also published four volumes of literary essays and a collection of his journalism under the title *Diari sense dies*, which also revealed him to be an exceptional writer of prose.

